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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED OFFICIAL MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 May 2002

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on revitalization of the General Asssembly

3 p.m. 2nd (closed) meeting Conference Room 1

Continuation of the discussion of the non-paper by the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 May 2002, on revitalization of the General Assembly. (Copies are available in the Office of the President of the General Assembly (room C-204))

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 59th meeting Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

   Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized:

   (a) United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (A/C.5/56/25/Add.4 and A/56/7/Add.10)

   (b) United Nations Tajikistan Office of Peace-building (A/C.5/56/25/Add.5)

   Services extended to Counter-Terrorism Committee (A/C.5/56/42 and A/56/7/Add.11)

   Introduction and general discussion

Note: The PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA and the SUMMARY OF MEETINGS of bodies other than those of the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session appear in Part II (English/French) of the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/99 (Part II)).

2. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara [142] (A/56/818, A/56/826 and A/56/946)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola [138] (A/56/900 and A/56/948)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 133 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Entitlement of restitution (A/56/789 and A/56/887)), 136 (Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (A/56/890, A/56/922, A/56/932 and Corr.1, A/56/947 and A/56/945)) and 147 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (A/49/563/Add.2, A/49/563/Add.3, A/49/563/Add.4, A/50/741, A/52/882, A/56/915 and A/56/949))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 123 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: Proposals to implement General Assembly resolution 56/242 (A/56/919)) and 138 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (A/56/900 and A/56/948))

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* Following the adjournment of the 59th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

FORTHCOMING OFFICIAL MEETINGS

Friday, 24 May 2002

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	60th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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* Following the adjournment of the 60th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 May 2002

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

99th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/56/780/Add.5) [125]

The General Assembly took note that the Democratic Republic of the Congo had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Appointment of a member of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/56/626/Add.1) [17 (b)]

The General Assembly, as recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 5 of its report (A/56/626/Add.1), appointed Mr. Kenshiro Akimoto (Japan) a member of the Committee on Contributions for a term of office beginning on 22 May 2002 and ending on 31 December 2003.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 17.

Adoption of the agenda, allocation of items and organization of work [8]

The General Assembly decided to consider sub-item (a) of agenda item 98 directly in plenary meeting and agreed to proceed immediately to its consideration.

The situation in East Timor during its transition to independence; implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21: draft resolution (A/56/L.78) [46 and 98 (a)]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.78 (resolution 56/283).

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 46.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 98.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/551/Add.1) [89]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 89.

The Rapporteur of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) introduced the report of the Committee on agenda item 89.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in paragraph 10 of its report (A/56/551/Add.1) (resolution 56/225 B).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 89.

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FIFTH COMMITTEE 58th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor [136]

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II [147]

Financing of the United Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo [158]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/890, A/56/922, A/56/932 and Corr.1, A/56/947, A/56/915, A/56/825 and Corr.1, A/56/897 and A/56/938).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/56/945, A/56/949 and A/56/887/Add.11).

The Director of the Internal Audit Division of the Office of Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/56/906).

Statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Turkey, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Australia (on behalf of Canada, New Zealand and Australia), Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines and Botswana.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these agenda items.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations would begin on Thursday, 23 May, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, on agenda item 136 (Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor) under the chairmanship of Mr. Guillermo Kendall (Argentina) and agenda item 147 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II) under the chairmanship of Mr. Henry Fox (Australia).

The Chairman further informed the Committee that informal consultations would begin on Friday, 24 May, in the afternoon, on agenda item 158 (Financing of the United Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo) under the chairmanship of Mr. Santiago Wins (Uruguay), Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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